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1. Japanese Patent No. 2,522,249, published May 31, 1996.
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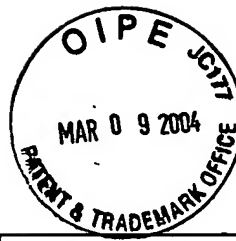
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